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92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 42, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to veterans.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 42, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 42.014 and 42.015, to read as follows:

42.014. 1. The Missouri general assembly shall, through appropriations as provided by law, encourage the development of any veterans' programs approved by the executive director of the veterans' commission whereby the historical significance of veteran service can be dedicated to outreach and education inside public schools, veteran cemeteries, veteran homes, and other institutions as determined by rule and regulation.

2. The executive director of the veterans' commission shall administer the provisions of this section and may adopt all rules and regulations necessary to administer the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28,

2004, shall be invalid and void.

3. In accordance with the provisions of sections 23.250 to 23.298, RSMo, and unless otherwise authorized pursuant to section 23.253, RSMo:

(1) Any new program authorized under the provisions of this section shall automatically sunset six years after the effective date of this section; and

(2) This section shall terminate on September 1 of the year following the year in which any new program authorized under the provisions of this section is sunset, and the revisor of statutes shall designate such sections and this section in a revision bill for repeal.

42.015. 1. In order to contribute to the preservation of freedom, there is established in the state treasury a special trust fund, to be known as the "Veterans' Historical Education Trust Fund". The fund shall be administered by the commission for the sole purpose of financing veterans' outreach and education programs established in section 42.014.

2. The state treasurer shall credit to and deposit in the veterans' historical education trust fund all amounts received by or designated to the fund established pursuant to this section and any other amounts which may be received from grants, gifts, bequests, appropriations, the federal government, or other sources granted or given for this specific purpose. The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the veterans' historical education trust fund in the same manner as surplus state funds are invested pursuant to section 30.260, RSMo. All earnings resulting from the investment of moneys in the veterans' historical education trust fund shall be credited to the veterans' historical education trust fund.

3. As established by this section, funds appropriated by the general assembly from the veterans' historical education trust fund shall only be used by the commission for purposes authorized pursuant to section 42.014 and shall not be used to supplant any existing program or service.

4. The provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, requiring all unexpended balances remaining in various state funds to be transferred and placed to the credit of the general revenue fund of this state at the

end of each biennium shall not apply to the veterans' historical education trust fund.

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